

CLAIMS

1. A method for manufacturing a disintegrative core for high pressure casting, ^{comprising melting and solidifying} wherein a water-soluble salt, alone or in combination with a fine hard powder, ^{is melted and solidified} is melted and solidified in a core mold; or ^{processed} processed into a fine powder and ^{molded} molded in a core mold under a pressure, said water soluble salt ranging from 280 to 520 °C in melting point and from 9.8×10^{-2} to 1.2×10 W/m²·°C in heat transfer coefficient (κ) with a high latent heat, whereby the disintegrative core can be applied where a light metal such as aluminum alloy or magnesium alloy is subjected to high pressure casting, such as die casting or squeeze casting and is manufactured from the water-soluble salt.
2. The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein the water-soluble salt is selected from the group consisting of KNO₃, KNO₂, NaNO₃, NaNO₂, and mixtures thereof.
3. The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein the water-soluble salt is selected from the group consisting of salt mixtures, by weight percentage, of 82:17 NaCl:CuCl₂, 92:8 KNO₃:KCl, 54:46 KCl:LiCl, 93:7 PbCl₂:NaCl, 54:44 MgCl₂:NaCl, 53:47 CaCl₂:BaCl₂, and 54:46 NaCl:CaCl₂.
4. The method as set forth in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the water-soluble salt is melted at a temperature higher by 30–80 °C than that of its melting temperature and solidified in a mold.
5. The method as set forth in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the mold is made of graphite and heated to half of the melting temperature of the salt.

6. The method as set forth in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the water-soluble salt is processed into a powder with a particle size of 40~100 μm , introduced into the mold and molded under a pressure of 80~100 Mpa.

7. The method as set forth in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the molten water-soluble salt is added with 5~30 wt% of chemically non-reactive, fine hard particles, said fine hard particles being selected from the group consisting of powders, fibers and whiskers of metal or ceramics, and mixtures thereof.

8. A disintegrative core for high pressure casting, manufactured according to the method of any one of claims 1 to 7.

9. A method for extracting a disintegrative core for high pressure casting, ^{comprising:}
 15 ^{heating} wherein the core is ~~heated~~ to a melting temperature at which the high pressure cast article is not thermally deformed, ^{or extracting} the core, ^{washing} ~~melt is extracted~~, and the cast article is ~~washed~~ with water.

10. The method as set forth in claim 9, wherein the high pressure cast article is heated at 320~550 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 3~5 minutes, whereby the heat is transferred to the inside of the core so that the core is melted and extracted.